REMARKS

Claims 1-22, as filed, are pending. Claims 23-28 have been withdrawn from

consideration without prejudice or disclaimer in response to the restriction requirement.

Applicants wish to retain their rejoinder rights to all claims capable of rejoinder, and elect to

defer making any required amendments until such time as the pending claims are acknowledged

to be patentable.

If the Examiner in charge of this application believes it to be helpful at any time during

prosecution of this application, he is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative by

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